demands from Gujarat for the enhancement of Small Scale Industries Limits from Rs. 35 Lakhs to Rs. 50 lakhs or so;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the action taken thereon; and

(d) the outcome thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI P.J. KURIEN): (a) to (d). Investment limit for SSI units have already been raised from Rs. 35 lakhs to Rs. 60 Lakhs/Rs. 75 lakhs/Rs. 75 lakhs for Small Scale, ancillary and exporting small scale units respectively vide Gazette Notification dated 2.4.91. From Gujarat State, representations from following four organisations:

1) Gujarat Chamber of Commerce & Industry, Ahmedabad.

2) The Southern Gujarat Chamber of Commerce & Industry, Surat.

3) Federation of small Scale Industries, Vadodara.

4) Gujarat Dyestuffs Manufactures' Association, Ahmedabad.

Suggesting increase in investment limit were received prior to increase in investment limit on 2.4.91.

Assessment of New Industrial Policy

1062. SHRI HANNAN MOLLAH: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have made any assessment of the industrial development since the announcement of the new industrial policy;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the number of new industries which have come up after the announcement of the new industrial policy;

(d) the amount invested in new industries till date; and

(e) the number of new jobs created by these new industries?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY 9PROF P.J. KURIEN): (a) to (e). Following the announcement of the new Industrial Policy Package on 24th July, 1991, a total of 2077 Industrial Entrepreneurs Memoranda for the setting up of industrial units which no longer require licensing, have been filed upto end of October, 1991 with the Secretariat for Industrial Approvals. During the same period, 194 foreign technology agreements have been approved. Generally, a lead time of around three years is needed before the fruition of any investment in the industrial sector. Therefore, it is too early to indicate the impact of the new Industrial Policy in terms of units set up and jobs created.

Grants to Voluntary Organisation of West Bengal

1063. SHRI HANNAN MOLLAH: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the particulars of voluntary organisations in the district of Howrah in West Bengal which have received grants or financial assistance from the Ministry of Rural Development for welfare activities in each of the last three year;

(b) the amount received by each of them during the above period, year-wise;

(c) which of them have been submitting their accounts and reports to the Government regularly; and